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Regional human service center advisory group to meet March 23 in Grand Forks

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Human Services' Northeast Human Service Center regional advisory group will meet Monday, March 23. The meeting will be held from 4:30 to 6 p.m., in rooms 5D and 5E at the center at 151 S. Fourth St., Grand Forks. The public is welcome to attend.

Human service center staff will give a presentation on the Integrated Dual Disorder Treatment program and will provide updates on the 2015-2017 department budget bill and other legislation. Regional Center Director Kate Kenna will provide a report on human resource issues, detox services, the World Health Organization Disability Assessment Schedule, DHS InfoNet - Good Health TV, licensure policies, and the implementation of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders - Fifth Edition (DSM-5), which is the American Psychiatric Association's classification and diagnostic tool.

Kenna will also report on the First Episode Psychosis Committee, the human service center's collaboration with Valley Community Health Clinic to provide mental health services at the clinic, the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) accreditation process, the center's response to support Larimore, and staff holiday donations for clients.

Advisory group members will also have an opportunity to provide reports and announcements about developments in their counties. Other business and discussion may occur. The agenda is online at www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html.

Individuals who need accommodations to participate in the meeting can contact Michelle Huus at 701-795-3154, toll-free 888-256-6742, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888 or mhuus@nd.gov.

For more information about Northeast Human Service Center and its outreach office in Grafton, N.D., go online to www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/northeast/index.html, or contact the center at 701-795-3000, toll-free 888-256-6742, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888, or dhsnehsc@nd.gov.